

United States Patent and Trademark Office

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE AND FEE(S) DUE

04743

7590

08/12/2004

MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP 6300 SEARS TOWER 233 S. WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606 EXAMINER

MARC COLEMAN, MARTHE Y

ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER

3661

DATE MAILED: 08/12/2004

APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
00/076 565	10/12/2001	Kenneth Douros	29248/AP01952	1453

TITLE OF INVENTION: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR DRIVER PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT

APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY ISSUE FEE		PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
nonprovisional	NO	\$1330	\$300	\$1630	11/12/2004

THE APPLICATION IDENTIFIED ABOVE HAS BEEN EXAMINED AND IS ALLOWED FOR ISSUANCE AS A PATENT. PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS CLOSED. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. THIS APPLICATION IS SUBJECT TO WITHDRAWAL FROM ISSUE AT THE INITIATIVE OF THE OFFICE OR UPON PETITION BY THE APPLICANT. SEE 37 CFR 1.313 AND MPEP 1308.

THE ISSUE FEE AND PUBLICATION FEE (IF REQUIRED) MUST BE PAID WITHIN THREE MONTHS FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR THIS APPLICATION SHALL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED. THIS STATUTORY PERIOD CANNOT BE EXTENDED. SEE 35 U.S.C. 151. THE ISSUE FEE DUE INDICATED ABOVE REFLECTS A CREDIT FOR ANY PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE APPLIED IN THIS APPLICATION. THE PTOL-85B (OR AN EQUIVALENT) MUST BE RETURNED WITHIN THIS PERIOD EVEN IF NO FEE IS DUE OR THE APPLICATION WILL BE REGARDED AS ABANDONED.

HOW TO REPLY TO THIS NOTICE:

I. Review the SMALL ENTITY status shown above.

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as YES, verify your current SMALL ENTITY status:

A. If the status is the same, pay the TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above.

B. If the status above is to be removed, check box 5b on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and twice the amount of the ISSUE FEE shown above, or

If the SMALL ENTITY is shown as NO:

A. Pay TOTAL FEE(S) DUE shown above, or

B. If applicant claimed SMALL ENTITY status before, or is now claiming SMALL ENTITY status, check box 5a on Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal and pay the PUBLICATION FEE (if required) and 1/2 the ISSUE FEE shown above.

II. PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL should be completed and returned to the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with your ISSUE FEE and PUBLICATION FEE (if required). Even if the fee(s) have already been paid, Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and returned. If you are charging the fee(s) to your deposit account, section "4b" of Part B - Fee(s) Transmittal should be completed and an extra copy of the form should be submitted.

III. All communications regarding this application must give the application number. Please direct all communications prior to issuance to Mail Stop ISSUE FEE unless advised to the contrary.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Utility patents issuing on applications filed on or after Dec. 12, 1980 may require payment of maintenance fees. It is patentee's responsibility to ensure timely payment of maintenance fees when due.

PART B - FEE(S) TRANSMITTAL

Complete and send this form, together with applicable fee(s), to: Mail

Mail Stop ISSUE FEE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

(703) 746-4000 or <u>Fax</u>

NSTRUCTIONS: This for ppropriate. All further corn ndicated unless corrected be maintenance fee notification	elow or directed otherwise	smitting the ISSUI Patent, advance ord in Block I, by (a)	E FEE and P lers and notifi specifying a	UBLIC. ication of new co	ATION FEE (if requi of maintenance fees w rrespondence address;	red). Blocks 1 through 5 s vill be mailed to the current and/or (b) indicating a sepa	hould be completed where correspondence address as trate "FEE ADDRESS" for	
CURRENT CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS (Note: Use Block 1 for any change of address)				1	Note: A certificate of mailing can only be used for domestic mailings of the Fee(s) Transmittal. This certificate cannot be used for any other accompanying papers. Each additional paper, such as an assignment or formal drawing, must have its own certificate of mailing or transmission.			
MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP 6300 SEARS TOWER 233 S. WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606					Certificate of Mailing or Transmission I hereby certify that this Fee(s) Transmittal is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage for first class mail in an envelope addressed to the Mail Stop ISSUE FEE address above, or being facsimile transmitted to the USPTO (703) 746-4000, on the date indicated below.			
emenos, 12 see						·	(Depositor's name)	
							(Signature)	
							(Date)	
APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	F	FIRST NAMED	INVEN	TOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.	
09/976,565	10/12/2001		Kenneth Douros			29248/AP01952	1453	
*	YSTEM AND METHOD FO	OR DRIVER PERF	ORMANCE I	MPROV	/EMENT			
APPLN, TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FE	EE PUBLICATION FE		BLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE	
nonprovisional	NO	\$1330	\$1330		\$300	\$1630	11/12/2004	
EXAM	IINER	ART UNI	IT	CL	ASS-SUBCLASS]		
MARC COLEMA	AN, MARTHE Y	3661			701-029000			
. Change of correspondence address or indication of "Fee Address" (37 CFR 1.363). □ Change of correspondence address (or Change of Correspondence Address form PTO/SB/122) attached. □ "Fee Address" indication (or "Fee Address" Indication form PTO/SB/47; Rev 03-02 or more recent) attached. Use of a Customer Number is required.			2. For printing on the patent front page, list (1) the names of up to 3 registered patent attorneys or agents OR, alternatively, (2) the name of a single firm (having as a member a registered attorney or agent) and the names of up to 2 registered patent attorneys or agents. If no name is listed, no name will be printed.					
DI FASE NOTE: Linless	a 37 CFR 3.11. Completion	elow, no assignee of this form is NOT	data will appe l'a substitute f	ear on the for filing	ne natent. If an assign	nee is identified below, the o	document has been filed for	
Please check the appropriate	e assignee category or category	ories (will not be pri	inted on the pa	atent);	🗅 individual 🔘	corporation or other private g	roup entity 🚨 government	
4a. The following fee(s) are	enclosed:		. Payment of l	` '			•	
☐ Issue Fee					ount of the fee(s) is en			
			 □ Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. □ The Director is hereby authorized by charge the required fee(s), or credit any overpayment, to 					
☐ Advance Order - # of	Copies		Deposit Acco	ount Nu	mber	(enclose an extra	copy of this form).	
	(from status indicated above MALL ENTITY status. See	•	☐ b. Applica	nt is not	claiming SMALL EN	TITY status. See, e.g., 37 CF	R 1.27(g)(2).	
The Director of the USPTO NOTE: The Issue Fee and P interest as shown by the rec	is requested to apply the Iss Publication Fee (if required) ords of the United States Pat	ue Fee and Publicat will not be accepted ent and Trademark	tion Fee (if an I from anyone Office.	y) or to other th	re-apply any previous nan the applicant; a reg	ly paid issue fee to the applic istered attorney or agent; or	ation identified above. the assignee or other party in	
(Authorized Signature)		(Date)		-				
This collection of information	on is required by 37 CFR 1	311. The informatio	n is required t	to obtain	or retain a benefit by s estimated to take 12	the public which is to file (arminutes to complete, include	nd by the USPTO to process)	

an application. Confidentiality is governed by 35 U.S.C. 122 and 37 CFR 1.14. This collection is estimated to take 12 minutes to complete, including gathering, preparing, and submitting the completed application form to the USPTO. Time will vary depending upon the individual case. Any comments on the amount of time you require to complete this form and/or suggestions for reducing this burden, should be sent to the Chief Information Officer, U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, U.S. Department of Commerce, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450. DO NOT SEND FEES OR COMPLETED FORMS TO THIS ADDRESS. SEND TO: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450.

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number.



UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE United States Patent and Trademark Office Address: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS

P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450 www.uspto.gov

FILING DATE CONFIRMATION NO. FIRST NAMED INVENTOR ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. APPLICATION NO. 1453 09/976,565 10/12/2001 Kenneth Douros 29248/AP01952 **EXAMINER** 08/12/2004 04743 MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP MARC COLEMAN, MARTHE Y 6300 SEARS TOWER ART UNIT PAPER NUMBER 233 S. WACKER DRIVE CHICAGO, IL 60606 3661

DATE MAILED: 08/12/2004

Determination of Patent Term Adjustment under 35 U.S.C. 154 (b)

(application filed on or after May 29, 2000)

The Patent Term Adjustment to date is 0 day(s). If the issue fee is paid on the date that is three months after the mailing date of this notice and the patent issues on the Tuesday before the date that is 28 weeks (six and a half months) after the mailing date of this notice, the Patent Term Adjustment will be 0 day(s).

If a Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) was filed in the above-identified application, the filing date that determines Patent Term Adjustment is the filing date of the most recent CPA.

Applicant will be able to obtain more detailed information by accessing the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) WEB site (http://pair.uspto.gov).

Any questions regarding the Patent Term Extension or Adjustment determination should be directed to the Office of Patent Legal Administration at (703) 305-1383. Questions relating to issue and publication fee payments should be directed to the Customer Service Center of the Office of Patent Publication at (703) 305-8283.